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1916

2nd Annual Catalogue
of
DAHLIAS
FIELD ROOTS



Growers and Disseminators of the Wonderful
GOLDEN GATE DAHLIA

DIVIDED FIELD ROOTS

Labeled True to Name

Varieties listed are Good Cut-Flower Sorts. We do not list Shy
Bloomers or Novelties unless they have made good for
cut-flower purposes, as our specialty is growing
Dahlias by the acres for cut-flowers.



LONG ISLAND DAHLIA GARDENS
HICKSVILLE, L. I., N. Y.

**TERMS: CASH WITH ORDER. REMITTANCES MADE BY POST
OFFICE MONEY ORDER PREFERRED**

DAHLIA ROOTS will be sent prepaid at prices quoted on orders amounting to \$1.00 or more. Orders for only one root of any variety listed at 50c. and upward will also be sent prepaid.

We guarantee our stock to be absolutely true to name.

No Dahlia roots sent out that do not show sprouts.

Prices of dozen lots of one variety are as follows:

Listed at \$0.10 each, offered at \$1.00 per dozen

"	"	.25	"	"	"	2.50	"	"
"	"	.35	"	"	"	3.50	"	"
"	"	.50	"	"	"	5.00	"	"

Half dozen of one variety sold at dozen rates.

Special Collections of Dahlias

A complete collection of fifteen prize winning Dahlias, of the best new and standard varieties that are dependable bloomers, embracing all colors and classes—Cactus, Decorative, Pompon, Peony, Show, and Single—each bulb labeled true to name.

Collection of fifteen named varieties, postpaid for \$1.00.

Collection of thirty named prize winning Dahlias, all classes and colors, postpaid for \$2.00.

These Dahlia collections are the best ever offered to the public. Give them a trial and you will be surprised at the fine varieties included at this price. Each and every one is a free bloomer.

A Few Facts About Our Dahlia Business

We are growers of Dahlias on a large scale, and produce the best and most dependable bloomers, as our specialty is shipping cut blooms of Dahlias to the wholesale market daily by the thousands.

Last season the demand for our Dahlia roots was far in excess of the supply intended for sale; but in order to avoid disappointing our customers we used the greater part of the roots reserved for our own planting to fill late orders; consequently our planting area was reduced from 22 to 12 acres.

We have life experience among Dahlias, as the present proprietor is one of the third generation of Dahlia specialists.

We supply Dahlia roots to hundreds of dealers, florists, seed stores and Dahlia specialists in thousand lots and have a reputation among the wholesale trade for having always given satisfaction.

We know that this catalogue is very plain and without many illustrations, although we have the stock and do supply others that issue finer catalogues.

Give us a trial order and be convinced that it pays to buy direct from the growers. Cultural directions of Dahlias sent with each order.

To Our Friends and Customers

Who have inquired for our catalogue we wish to explain the delay in mailing catalogues at this late date. Our first supply of catalogues which were received in the early part of February were soon exhausted owing to the unusual demand for same to parties that were interested in our exhibits at the American Dahlia Society Show at New York, and our other Dahlia exhibits at other places of the past seasons. We placed our order for a second supply of catalogues in the latter part of February and expected to have them in less than a week but were sadly disappointed on being informed by the printers that owing to conditions caused by war, they were unable to procure paper, printer's ink, printer's dye, etc., at short notice, as the supply of the above articles were not on the market at that time and we were informed in reply to our persistent inquiries that some of the necessary articles to make up catalogues were unobtainable at any price particularly dyes which accounts for the change of this catalogue cover from the earlier 1916 catalogue. Since we have eventually received the catalogues we hope you will favor us with your order for dahlias, etc. We have a good supply of all varieties of Dahlias listed and wish to state the tubers are of the the same high class quality that we sent out last season.

Thanking our customers and patrons of the previous seasons and assuring you we will give your future orders our best attention, we are,

Yours very truly,

LONG ISLAND DAHLIA GARDENS

WM. A. FINGER, Jr.

FRANCIS. G. FINGER

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State here whether you want shipment to be made by Mail, Express, or Freight.

SELECT GLADIOLUS

The interest developed in the Gladiolus during the past few years has been tremendous, and thousands of bulbs are now planted annually where dozens were used in the past. Their present popularity is sure to continue and increase, as they are, without doubt, the most attractive and useful of all summer flowering bulbs, and, as a cut flower through the summer and autumn months, hold a place that cannot be taken by any other flower.

For best results they should have a sunny position. A good sandy loam suits them best, but they do equally as well in heavy soil, provided there is perfect drainage. Well-rotted stable manure is the very best fertilizer, and where convenient it should be spread over the land in the fall, and dug in the following spring. Sheep manure is an excellent substitute and can be applied in the spring. The best time to plant is about the first of May, putting in the smallest bulbs first, and reserving the larger bulbs for later planting. A succession of bloom may be had from July to October by making plantings two weeks apart up to the end of June. To make a good show they should be planted from three to four inches apart each way. The depth to plant is regulated by the size of the bulb, the large bulbs being covered about six inches deep, smaller ones from three to four inches. They are very effective in lines or beds or when planted among Roses, Paeonies, Shrubbery, etc.

In cutting Gladiolus for the house, it is best to cut the spikes as soon as the first one or two lower flowers are open. The remainder will open in the house. Remove the faded flowers, cut a little off the stem, and change the water every day; treated in this way a spike will last a week or ten days, and as a rule the colors are more refined when developed in the house. Wonderful improvements are being made each year in the size, color and beauty of these flowers, and our list comprises only the best in named sorts.

"BLUE AND GOLD" GLADIOLUS

The two varieties, Baron Hulot and Sulphur King, make what is perhaps one of the most effective color combinations possible when planted together in the garden, and particularly so when cut and a few spikes placed together in a vase, and we feel sure that anyone who grows these two beautiful sorts will be more than pleased with them.

BARON HULOT

A really fine blue Gladiolus, in color a rich, royal violet-blue, a good grower with well expanded flowers, very effective when cut and used in conjunction with Sulphur King or other yellow variety. 5 cts. each; 50 cts. per doz.

3 each of the Blue and Gold Gladiolus for \$.50

12 each of the Blue and Gold Gladiolus for \$1.85

SULPHUR KING

This splendid variety is generally conceded to be the finest clear yellow yet introduced. It produces extra long spikes well filled with its attractive flowers which are of good size. 15 cts. each; \$1.50 per doz.

SUPERB NEW AND RARE GLADIOLUS

Norma Dee Childs. Large open flower of delicate shell pink mottled darker. Cream throat. Extra. 20c. each; \$2.00 per doz.

La Reine Blanche. New pure white carrying one of the longest spikes of all Gladioli. One bulb usually throws up two or three spikes, four to five feet high. 15c. each; \$1.50 per doz.

Mrs. Frank Pendleton. All experts agree that this is one of the finest varieties yet introduced. The flowers are of largest size, borne on strong, straight spikes. In color a lovely salmony-pink with brilliant deep, red blotches in the throat. A color combination rivaling many of the finest Orchids in its richness, exquisite in every way. 20c. each; \$2.00 per doz.

Florence. A uniform soft lilac, with blotch on lower petals which greatly enhances its color. A splendid sort for combining with the pale primrose sort, Niagara, offered in this list. A very attractive variety. 35 cts. each; \$3.50 per doz.

Collections of 1 each of the above 8 Superb New and Rare Gladiolus for \$1.75

Collections of 3 each of the above 8 Superb New and Rare Gladiolus (24 bulbs in all) for \$4.75

SIX GRAND AMERICAN GLADIOLUS

Within recent years American hybridizers have produced some of the very best Gladiolus, being noted for their strong, free growth, free-flowering qualities, purity of color and their ability to produce satisfactory results in our climate even under the most ordinary conditions, and whether wanted for show in the garden or for cutting, the six sorts offered under this head now hold the premier place in their respective colors, and are offered at prices so reasonable, considering their high grade, that they should be planted in quantity wherever summer flowers are wanted.

America. Conceded to be one of the finest varieties for cutting or bedding ever sent out; color a beautiful soft flesh-pink; orchid-like in its coloring and texture; growth and habit perfect. 5 cts. each; 40 cts. per dozen; \$2.50 per 100.

Mrs. Francis King. A striking shade of light scarlet or flame color; one of the most effective both in the border and when cut. 5 cts. each; 40 cts. per dozen; \$2.50 per 100.

Niagara. A charming variety, with all the good qualities of America, but of a delicate cream-yellow, lightly marked and splashed with rosy-carmine in the throat; very large, open flowers on tall, straight spikes; beautiful as a cut-flower. 10 cts. each; \$1.00 per doz.

3 each of the above 6 Grand American Gladiolus, 18 bulbs in all, for \$1.00

6 each of the above 6 Grand American Gladiolus, 36 bulbs in all, for \$1.85

Select List of Good First Class Standard Gladiolus

Anny Wigman. Pale clear yellow with small red blotch, medium sized flower. Very early. 5 cts. each; 40 cts. per doz.

Augusta. A beautiful white variety, with lavender anthers. Strong spike; often having two or three branches. 5 cts. each; 40 cts. per doz.

Brenchleyensis. The best and most effective vermilion-scarlet for massing. 5 cts. each; 30 cts. per doz.

Glory of Holland. A beautiful pure white, with lavender anthers; flowers very large and full in every way. 5 cts. each; 50 cts. per doz.

Glory. Kundred) Creamy white, crimson stripe in uower petals. Large and fine. Ruffled. 10 cts. each; \$1.00 per doz.

Halley. Delicate salmon-pink, slightly roseate, the lower petals showing a creamy blotch bisected by a red stripe. One of the earliest to bloom. 10 cts. each; \$1.00 per doz.

Collections of 3 each of the above 12 Select Good 1st Class Standard Gladiolus, 36 bulbs in all, \$2.50

Prices quoted for above Gladiolus are for large sized bulbs, (not small mailing size)

Half dozen of one variety sold at dozen rates

Gladioli bulbs will be sent prepaid at prices quoted on orders amounting to \$1.00 or more

Gladioli orders amounting to less than \$1.00 if ordered with Dahlia order and complete order amounts to \$1.00 or more will be sent prepaid

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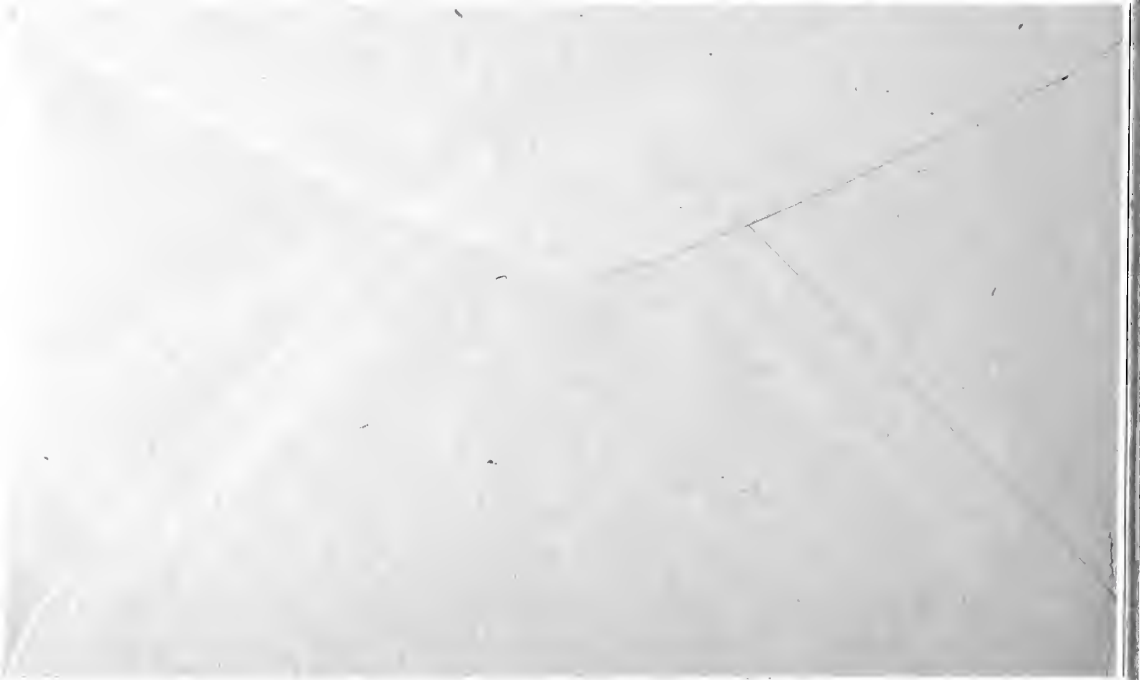
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Long Island Dahlia Gardens

Hicksville, L. I.

N. Y.



The Sensational New Yellow Cactus Dahlia GOLDEN GATE

Received Certificate of Merit at American Institute N. Y., and at Nassau County Horticultural Society, Glen Cove, L. I.

Introduced by us in 1914 and has made good all our claims for it as the finest, largest and best blooming Dahlia in existence. An exceptionally sure and free, medium, early bloomer, the most vigorous grower of all Dahlias: in fact, so vigorous that we advise to pinch out tip when stalk shows 6 to 8 joints to make plant grow bush form. It will then stand up without staking when other Dahlias are flat after a storm.

One of the most distinct characteristics of this Dahlia, not found in any other Dahlia, is that 3 to 6 giant flowers will open and bloom at one time on each 3 to 4 ft. stiff stem, if the center bud is removed when it shows. This makes the Golden Gate the most valuable of all Dahlias for decorations and also having exceptionally good keeping qualities as a cut flower, will always bring highest market prices.

Your garden is not complete without this wonderful Chrysanthemum-like Queen of the Garden Dahlia, for the beautiful, dazzling, golden-yellow-colored blooms will attract and delight everyone and can be recommended to your friends with the greatest confidence as the one Dahlia that will always bloom in spite of drought, mildew or insects, and will give greater satisfaction than any of the high-priced novelties. We know Dahlias, as we import and grow all the new foreign and American novelties and find most of them good, if weather and other conditions are right. They, as a rule, show up grand under that irrigation pipe you no doubt have noticed used on the Dahlia grounds of the seed houses and other specialists. But stick them in any old place or corner, as the average public will do, and you will find that the certain novelties and other varieties, which showed up so great under that pipe, may not bloom at all or die, whereas the Golden Gate will grow like a weed and bloom as freely and be more beautiful than others under irrigation. Try it and be convinced.

Read Mr. Hugo Kind's letter. All the trade knows that Mr. Kind only grows the most profitable cut-flower varieties by the acres. His specialty is getting the coin from the sale of cut blooms and years of experience have taught him to know that the Golden Gate is the grandest flower he has ever seen in the Dahlia line. (Enough said.) We have booked his order, a good one, with greatest pleasure.

J. T. FITCHETT,
Grower of Dahlias and Sweet Peas,
735-737 Milton Ave., Janesville, Wis.

Dec. 21, 1914.

Long Island Dahlia Gardens, Hicksville, N. Y.

Dear Sirs.—The "Golden Gate" Dahlia obtained from you last Spring made good. It may interest you to know that your "Golden Gate" was in our "Prize Winning Collection" at Wisconsin State Fair, Professional Class, and was much the best keeping Cactus in the lot. Shall want more stock of this variety and will order soon after Feb. 1st. What can you quote for Spring delivery?

Wishing you success, I remain, Yours sincerely,

(Signed) J. T. FITCHETT

JOHN LEWIS CHILDS

Flowerfield, L. I., N. Y.

Mr. Wm A. Finger, Jr., Hicksville, L. I.

Dear Sir.—From all appearances up to the present time you have in Dahlia Golden Gate one of the best varieties that has come under my attention. The character and habit is ideal and the color is one of the richest I have seen. Without a doubt you have one of the best seedlings that has been raised in this or any other country, and I believe that there will be a great future for it. Yours very truly,

(Signed) I. S. HENDRICKSON.

W. J. TUBBS
Dahliahurst, Elkhorn, Wis.

Jan. 2d, 1916.

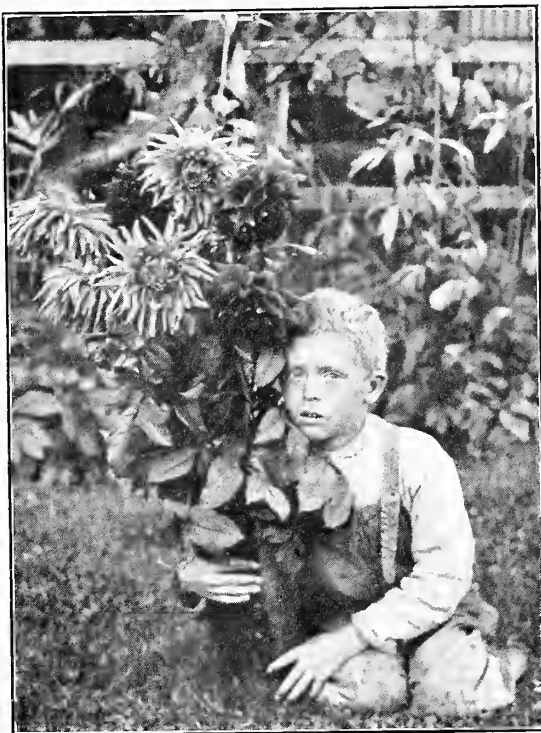
Long Island Dahlia Gardens, Hicksville, N. Y.

Dear Sirs.—The invoice of Golden Gate Dahlia roots reached me in good condition and I am well pleased with the roots, so much so that I am sending you herewith another order, which I wish you would send out after March 20, 1916.

Wishing you the compliments of the season, I am

Fraternally yours.

(Signed) W. J. TUBBS.



Vase of Golden Gate and Souv. de Gustav Doazon
Compare the size

Now read a few letters from Dahlia specialists, who, according to their catalogues, list and grow the newest and best novelties and therefore know when a Dahlia, as Mr. Grossman says, "is in a class by itself," or, as Mr. Fitchett says, "The Golden Gate Dahlia has made good and is best keeper of all Cactus Dahlias." This prize winning collection he exhibited at the State Fair was no doubt composed of the newest and best Cactus novelties, as listed in Mr. Fitchett's catalogue.

These are only a few of the hundreds of letters we have received praising the Golden Gate. Don't fail to try the Golden Gate this season.

N. A. HALLAUER, Dahlia Grower,
Fruitland, Wayne Co., N. Y., Jan. 22, 1916.

Long Island Dahlia Gardens, Hicksville, N. Y.

Gentlemen—I grew a few of your Golden Gate Dahlia this past season and I want to tell you it is truly a wonder. You people deserve a great deal of credit for having produced such a variety, and also for the businesslike manner in which you placed it on the market and treated those in the trade.

Very respectfully yours,

(Signed) N. A. HALLAUER.

EVERGREEN FARM

C. W. Grossman, Prop., Dahlia Grower.

Petoskey, Mich., Dec. 17, 1914.

Long Island Dahlia Gardens, Hicksville, N. Y.

Dear Sirs.—Kindly book my order for one dozen of the "Golden Gate" Dahlia. I found this to be the very finest of its class or rather, it was in a "class by itself" last Summer with me, and came fully up to your claims for it. It was the center of attraction out of about 75 choice varieties on my grounds. Hold the "Golden Gate" for further orders as I may want to increase it later, as I am selling pretty well up on my small stock of it to people who saw it in bloom last Fall, at \$1.00 per root. Another boost, but I guess you are getting used to it. Wishing you the compliments of the season, I am

Yours truly,

(Signed) C. W. GROSSMAN.

HUGO KIND

Shady Lawn Nurseries, Wholesale Grower of Dahlias, etc.
Hammon, N. J., Nov. 9, 1914.

Long Island Dahlia Gardens, Hicksville, N. Y.

My dear Sirs.—Certainly was well pleased with your new, wonderful Dahlia, "Golden Gate." It is certainly the grandest flower I have ever seen in the Dahlia line. We had as many as four immense flowers on one stem—in fact, no one can be convinced of its great beauty until they see it. How many "Golden Gate" can you spare? Can you spare 1000 roots? Would be pleased to have an early reply. Yours respectfully,

(Signed) HUGO KIND.



CACTUS DAHLIAS

Ægir. Rich cardinal red, twisted petals.....	Each \$0.15	Dainty. Center lemon yellow, delicate rose pink at tips.....	Each \$0.20
Aurora. Apricot, suffused flesh pink, lighter at the tips; very free.....	.25	Else. Buttercup yellow, shading to amber and deep rose; very fine.....	.25
Blanche Keith. Bright yellow, large flower; very free.....	.10	Flora. The ideal florist's white.....	.15
Britannia. Deep salmon, shading to flesh pink. A pleasing blend of salmon, pink and amber; the freest of all the Cactus Dahlias.....	.15	Gaillard. Bright vermilion red, large bloom, slender petals, long stems; fine for cutting....	.15
Candeur. A splendid, pure white; flowers closely resemble a Chrysanthemum when in full bloom. A valuable Dahlia for the gar- den or cutting.....	.25	Gen. Buller. Rich, velvety maroon, tipped white; very free.....	.10
Cockatoo. Large flowers of beautiful form. Color clear yellow, tinted fawn and tipped white; sometimes blooms solid fawn and solid white on same plant. Extra free bloomer....	.25	Golden Gate. Considered to be the best Dahlia in existence. A grand flower of a deep golden yellow, tinted bronze or russet; very free; flowers immense size, 6 to 9 inches in diameter, extra long stems. Very vigorous grower; will bloom in driest weather when others fail. We have a large stock and are offering at a reasonable price within reach of all. Don't fail to include this Dahlia in your order. We have testimonials and re-orders galore from last year's customers and are proud to boast that this Dahlia has made good in all parts of the country. Strong, divided field clumps. Prepaid.....	.50
Conquest. Immense blooms of rich crimson maroon; petals long and incurved. The largest and one of the best of the dark Cactus varieties. A prize winner at the Portland Dahlia show... .....	.75	Goldland. A fine, yellow Cactus, producing its long, deep yellow blooms in abundance on long stems.....	.20
Countess of Lonsdale. Salmon pink and amber; the freest of Cactus Dahlias.....	.15	Harbor Light. Vivid orange red, overlaid flame; large flower.....	.20
Country Girl. Large flowers, perfect in form; color golden yellow, suffused with salmon rose, and Autumn-tinted bronze. Free bloomer, and is the florist's favorite Dahlia of the Autumn-tinted sorts for cutting.....	.25	H. Shoemith. A very good, bright scarlet, hav- ing long, slender, quilled petals.....	.20
Crystal. A wonderfully beautiful exhibition variety of large size and fine form, composed of long, twisted, incurved, tubular petals of a tender, silver pink, shading to ivory white in the center.....	1.00		

CACTUS DAHLIAS—Continued

- Johannesburg.** Flowers of immense size and Each fine form; color bright golden buff. One of the most popular Dahlias of this color..... \$0.50
- Juliet.** Rose pink, white center; very free..... .20
- Kalif.** The best red Cactus to date; O. K. in every way. Enormous flowers of a reddish scarlet color; fine stems and a very vigorous grower. We won first prize with this Dahlia for vase of best scarlet Cactus, and first prize for largest Cactus Dahlia any color at the American Dahlia Society show at New York. Stock of this wonderful Dahlia is very limited. 1.00
- Kriemhilde.** Deep pink, light center..... .10
- Marguerite Bouchon.** This is the most beautiful pink and white Cactus Dahlia ever introduced. Absolutely perfect in form; large flowers of a brilliant, deep rose, with a large, white center and distinctly defined white tips. A wonderful and unsurpassed exhibition variety..... .50
- Marjorie Castleton.** Bright pink. The best pink Cactus for cutting..... .20
- Master Carl.** Large, clear salmon, shaded orange..... .25
- Mme. Henry Cayeaux.** The finest of all pink Cactus Dahlias; in form, color, length of stem and size of bloom, it is all that the most critical grower could wish for. Color, delicate flesh rose pink with white tips, center of blooms pure white disc..... .50
- Morning Glow.** Deep primrose; fine..... .20
- Mrs. Chas. Turner.** Soft yellow; long, broad petals..... .10
- Mrs. Douglass Fleming.** A large, graceful, pure white; petals long and tubular; very popular English Cactus Dahlia. Fine for exhibition or garden..... .75
- Mrs. F. Grimstead.** Deep, rich purple crimson; fine, large flower..... .25
- Mrs. H. J. Jones.** Bright scarlet, tipped white; free..... .10



Kriemhilde



Cactus Dahlia

CACTUS DAHLIAS—Continued

- Nerthus.** Large flowers; center rich, bronzy Each yellow, carmine rose at the tips of petals, suffused with glowing, golden yellow. A beautiful color combination hard to describe. Extra free on long stems..... \$0.35
- NEW CACTUS DAHLIA SPRINGFIELD**
Originator's description: "It is identical with Countess of Lonsdale except in two essentials. It has a darker stem and the flowers, instead of being a salmon pink as in Lonsdale, Springfield is a rich, amaranthine red. Its beauty cannot be described. No Dahlia blooms freer, no Dahlia is as pretty as Springfield. It lasts longer cut than any Dahlia we know. This is without question the greatest of all Dahlias. Be sure and try Springfield.. .50
- Nibelungenhort.** Exceptionally large flower of a beautiful shade of old rose, with golden apricot suffusion; petals curled and twisted. Free bloomer on long stems. One of the very best Dahlias ever introduced..... 1.00
- Perhilde.** Pink sport of Kreimhilde.... .10
- Phoenix.** Dark, velvety maroon, center striped scarlet; a grand flower..... .40
- Prince of Yellows.** Canary yellow; best yellow Cactus for cutting..... .10
- Queen of Hearts.** The best white Cactus ever introduced. It is all the originator claims, and will in time replace all other white Cactus sorts. Pure white, shading to lemon yellow at base of petals, which are very long, tubular and incurving; very free bloomer on long stems. Strong, divided field clumps..... .50
- Rene Cayeaux.** Rich, ruby crimson; one of the finest and freest-blooming Cactus Dahlias..... .40



Cactus Dahlia, Marjorie Castleton—See page 3

CACTUS DAHLIAS—Continued

	Each		Each
Rev. D. R. Williamson. Large, bright maroon.	\$0.25	Leipsic for highest prices ever paid for Dahlia blooms. After several years' trial we find it to be as recommended. Root stock limited....	\$2.00
Rhein Koenig. Pure, snow-white flowers, from 5 to 6 inches; fine form.....	.25	Sequoia. Saffron yellow, suffused with red....	.25
Ruth Forbes. A beautiful, clear pink, the nearest approach to A. D. Livoni in color yet obtained. Strong, vigorous grower; very free, mammoth blooms on long, wiry stems; this Dahlia is very popular in the New England States.	.20	Stability. Large flowers of a beautiful, deep rose color; long, wiry stems; extremely free blooming. A fine exhibition variety. We consider this one of the best of the Cactus varieties and predict it will become the leading Cactus of its color for cutting and garden decoration	1.00
Saxony. Amber and pink; extra free bloomer. Considered the best cut flower Dahlia in Germany for high-class work. Cut blooms of this beautiful, refined Dahlia sold in the stores of		Standard Bearer. Bright, clear scarlet, very desirable for cut flowers.....	.10
		Strahlein Krone. Rich, cardinal red; very free bloomer; fine for cutting.....	.10
		Thos. Parkin. Bright terra cotta.....	.15
		Victor Von Scheffel. Delicate shade of light pink, shaded deep rose.....	.25
		Wacht am Rhein. A most gracefully formed flower of large size, on splendid stems for cutting; color beautiful soft, rosy pink, with white suffusion. An extra choice exhibition sort and is considered by many to be the best of its color of the German introductions....	1.00
		White Kriemhilde. A white sport of Kriemhilde. Very good keeper.....	.25
		Wodan. Enormous flowers of a delicate salmon-rose color, shading to old gold in the center; petals semi-incurved and tubular. Fine stems and very free flowering .....	.50
		Wolfgang von Goethe. A very large flower, of loose but regular and graceful arrangement that makes it an ideal cut-flower; its color, a rich apricot with carmine suffusion and shadings, is bright, yet subdued and soft, showing up particularly well under artificial light.....	.35



Cactus Dahlia, Mrs. H. J. Jones—See page 3



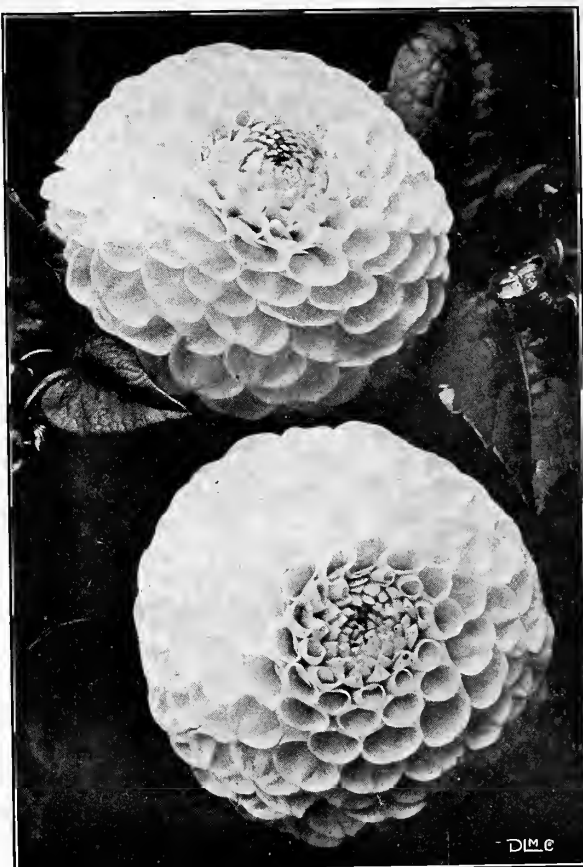
Mrs. Roosevelt—See page 6

SHOW DAHLIAS

	Each		Each
Arabella. Lovely primrose, shaded and tipped rose; a perfect and reliable Dahlia.....	\$0.10	Ethel Maule. Large, snow white, lavender-tinted center, dwarf growth; very free; fine for cutting.....	\$0.25
Bon Ton. Rich garnet; very free.....	.10	Foster Barnes. White, with pink center; strong, vigorous bloomer; very popular in the West as a cut flower variety.....	.20
Camelliaeflora. Snow white; very free. A good florist's white.....	.15	Frank Smith. Velvety maroon, white at tips; very free and early.....	.25
Chas. Lanier. Yellow amber, shaded buff....	.20	Gloire de Guiscard. The color of this attractive Fancy Dahlia is an almost indescribable combination of orange, red, yellow, pink and white. One of the best of the Fancy Dahlias..	.25
Cuban Giant. Glowing crimson; very large flower.....	.15	Gold Medal. Attractive dandelion yellow, streaked and splashed with Oriental red. One of the best and most admired of the Fancy Dahlias.....	.25
Dorothy Peacock. Large, clear, bright pink, long stems, early and continuous bloomer. Originator's claim as the world's best pink Show Dahlia has made good here.....	.25	Grand Duke Alexis. Large, ivory-white flowers, petals tipped faintly with rose. Very pretty and one of the most popular of the standard sorts.....	.25
Dreer's White. Giant bloom of a pure, glistening white color; form of flower similar to that of the popular Grand Duke Alexis. Very free flowering.....	.50	Ivanhoe. (New.) Beautiful, delicate, snowy white flowers, edged pinkish lavender. Cupped flowers of a very large size.....	1.00
Duchess of Cambridge. Deep violet rose, white at base.....	.20	John Thorpe. Delicate pink; very large flower.	.25
Elsie Davidson. (New.) Giant flowers of a beautiful, deep, golden yellow color.....	.50		
Emilie. Rosy lavender, white at base of petals; excellent for cutting.....	.10		

SHOW DAHLIAS—Continued

	Each
King Carlos. Purple, tipped white.	\$0.10
Livoni. Clear shell pink; very free; an old favorite that still lead in its class. .	.10
Maude Adams. (New.) This wonderful variety is one of the best of the new Show Dahlias. Color pure, snowy white, overlaid clear, delicate pink. Large flowers of fine form. ....	.50
Merlin. Bright orange scarlet. One of the best Dahlias ever offered. ....	.25
Mrs. Roosevelt. Silver rose; immense flower. ....	.25
Muriel. Large flowers of a deep orange color. Very free bloomer. ....	.25
Norma. One of the best Show Dahlias, of a bright, orange color; fine form; extra free bloomer. ....	.25
Penelope. White, tinted rose and lavender; fine for floral work. ....	.10
Prince Bismarck. Very large; deep purple. Free bloomer; one of the best. ....	.25
Princess Victoria. Clear canary yellow; good form; long stems; free and early. ....	.10
Queen Victoria. Canary yellow; very free. ....	.10
Red Hussar. Intense, dazzling crimson; free bloomer, on long stems; best red Show for cutting. ....	.10
Robert Bloomfield. Pure white; good. An old favorite. ....	.10
Rose. One of the largest and finest of new Show Dahlias. Color a deep rose shade; will not fade in hottest weather; extra long stems. An exceptionally fine cut flower; will become as popular as Delice for all purposes. ....	.50
Rosebud. Flowers large and of perfect form; dwarf growth; exceptionally free bloomer; beautiful, white and pink-edged flowers. Extra fine for garden decoration. ....	.50
Stradella. Beautiful, deep purple crimson; very free flowering. One of the finest to date.	Each \$0.25
Striped Banner, or American Flag. Cardinal red, striped white; very showy. ....	.10
Susan. A beautiful, delicate, soft shell pink; splendid form; long stems. Very early and extra free flowering. Valuable for cutting or garden use. ....	.30
Vivian. One of the most attractive of the new Show Dahlias. Flowers white, edged rose pink—a wonderful blending of colors. Greatly admired by everyone.	1.00
White Swan. Large, snow white; very free. The ideal Dahlia for cutting. ....	.10



Show Dahlia, Muriel

	Each		Each
Wm. Dodds. Very large; clear yellow. The flowers are full to the center, almost round. .	\$0.35	Wm. Pierce. Delicate shell pink. ....	.20
W. P. Laird. Lilac, veined lighter. One of the best of the older Show Dahlias. ....	.25	W. W. Rawson. Deservedly one of the most popular Dahlias of the day. Large flowers, produced on long, strong, erect stems; color white, overlaid with delicate lavender, tinted deeper at tips; this Dahlia is superior to Mrs. Roosevelt in every way. ....	.35
Yellow Duke. A yellow Grand Duke Alexis; very large. Best light yellow of the Show type for garden or cutting. ....	.15		

DECORATIVE DAHLIAS

	Each		Each
American Beauty. Flowers are of a gigantic size and produced on long, heavy stems, well above the foliage; color a gorgeous wine crimson. The best crimson Dahlia to date; a distinct improvement on the Jack Rose.	\$0.50	Chrysanthemiste Albert Delany. Enormous flowers of a vivid crimson. Fine exhibition variety.	\$0.20
Autumn Glory. A beautiful, rich, golden terra cotta color; very effective under artificial light. ....	.20	Delice. Most popular variety; glowing rose pink, perfect shape, stout, stiff stems; flowers of this variety are always in great demand on the market. ....	.25
Baron Schroeder. Rich, glowing purple; very free flowering; fine cut flowers. ....	.10	Eloise. Fancy Decorative, bluish pink, shading to maroon, striped white and carmine. ....	.15
Black Beauty. A rich, velvety maroon. ....	.10	Golden Wedding. Immense size, rich, golden yellow; long stems; will replace Clifford Bruton. ....	.25
Corrona. Pure white, miniature flower; free bloomer; excellent for floral work. ....	.10	Golden West. Burbank's seedling. The finest yellow Decorative Dahlia to date; bright canary yellow; large blooms. ....	.50
Catharine Duer. Iridescent crimson scarlet; a favorite for cutting. ....	.10	Grand Duke Alexis. Ivory white, tipped lavender. ....	.15

DECORATIVE DAHLIAS—Continued

Henry Lyndhurst. Best all-around scarlet Dahlia for cutting.....	Each \$0.10
Jack Rose. Crimson; one of the most profitable Dahlias to grow for cutting.....	.10
Jean Charmant. Beautiful shade of violet rose on lighter ground; stiff, long, wiry stems, extremely free bloomer; splendid cut flower variety.....	.25
J. M. Goodrich. Gigantic flowers, borne on exceptionally long stems; very free flowering; color a beautiful salmon pink, petals tipped primrose yellow. One of the most admired of the new Decorative Dahlias and considered by many to be the best.....	1.00
Le Grand Manitou. Best variety Dahlia of the Decorative type; large bloomer, white spotted, and striped, blotched reddish violet; occasionally blooms pure violet; long, stiff stems; admired by all.....	.40
Maid of Kent. Bright cherry red, white at tips.....	.10
Manhattan Beauty. Spotted and striped crimson on amber ground; some flowers come self crimson purple.....	.10
Manitou. Immense flowers of an exquisite amber bronze; extra fine, on short stems. Good for garden only.....	.25
Mina Burgle. A seedling from California and one of the finest ever introduced. Flowers of extraordinary size and remarkable beauty; color a rich luminous dark scarlet; very free blooming on long, wiry stems. Splendid for cutting or garden.....	1.50
Miss Minnie McCullough. Yellow, tipped red and bronze; free bloomer; best seller of the Autumn shade varieties.....	.10
Miss May Lomas. Waxy white, flushed lavender.....	.15
Mme. Helene Charvet. Pure white, delicately tinted pink; large flowers. An old favorite....	.25
Mme. Lumiere. Ground color white and changing to reddish violet at tips.....	.25
Mme. Marze. A French introduction, and is, to our knowledge, one of the finest white Decoratives, if not the best. The grand, pure white flowers, which are of an immense size, are borne on extra long stems; exceptionally free blooming. Certainly the best white Decorative Dahlia for all-around purposes....	.50
Mme. Van den Dael. Silver pink on white ground.....	.25
Monrovia. Rich fawn, shading to bronze, reverse of petals purple. Remarkably vigorous grower, having attractive, dark green foliage..	.35
Mont Blanc. An early, free, continuous-flowering creamy white; large blooms on good stems. One of the most important cut flower kinds.....	.25
Mrs. Hartong. Bright golden bronze, overlaid with pink; very large; fine for cutting.....	.10
Mrs. J. Garden Cassatt. Deep rose; grand flower, on long, stout stems.....	.25
Mt. Hood. For years one of the most difficult Dahlias to find has been a clear, snow-white variety, one that possessed no greenish or cream tint and we now offer this handsome new sort, which we consider one of the whitest of all Dahlias. The flowers are of good size and perfectly double and are borne freely on strong, upright stems. Its clear, snow-white color and its many other good points are bound to make this a very popular sort.....	.50
Oban. Large flower of fine mauve color; very free flowering. A favorite for cutting.....	.10



Decorative Dahlia, Delice—See page 6

Oregon Beauty. A giant in size; often 8 inches in diameter, it combines with its rare color, which is a bright, fiery scarlet, overlaid with a golden sheen, the most distinct form of any Dahlia yet introduced. The opening flower is like a full decorative bloom, of a deep, fiery scarlet; when fully out the color is a shade lighter, a portion of the older petals curving toward the stem, the newer petals coming out nearly flat, giving it a Peony form. One of the finest cut flower Dahlias yet introduced and wherever exhibited it has been enthusiastically received.....	Each \$0.35
Perle de Lyon. A grand, pure white Dahlia; very free blooming. Considered by many to be the best Dahlia for all purposes.....	.25
Princess Louise Victoria. Bright rose pink; very free flowering.....	.20
Prof. Mansfield. A beautiful combination of yellow, red and white; very large.....	.15
Purple Manitou. Sport of Le Grand Manitou. Color deep purple; flowers of enormous size. Identical in form of flower and growth to the popular Le Grand Manitou. One of the finest of the Exhibition varieties.....	.50
Souv. de Gus. Doazon. Crimson-red blooms of mammoth size; free growth and profuse flowering.....	.15
Sylvia. Flesh pink and white center; the standard florists' Dahlia; still leads as the best money maker.....	.10
Tricolor. Buttercup yellow, with blotch of red on each petal.....	.25
Virginia Maule. Soft shell pink; very fine, large flowers.....	.25
Wm. Agnew. Orange scarlet; good commercial variety.....	.10
Yellow Colosse. Primrose yellow; very large bloomer; free and good form. Best yellow Decorative to date.....	.25

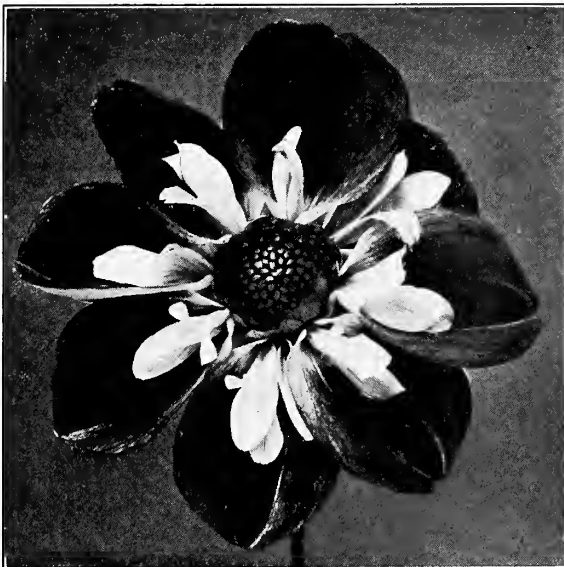
POMPON DAHLIAS

	Each		Each
Alewine. Flesh, edged lavender pink.....	\$0.10	Guiding Star. Pure white.....	\$0.15
Allie Mourey. Pinkish white, tipped deep pink.....	.10	H. C. Winters. Pale fawn.....	.10
Amber Queen. Rich, clear amber, shaded apricot; extra free. One of the best.....	.15	Little Bessie. Cream white; extra fine and free.....	.10
Ariel. Deep orange buff; free.....	.10	Phoebe. Orange, tipped crimson; fine.....	.10
Bobby. Deep plum color; extra fine and free....	.10	Prince Charming. Cream, heavily tipped purple. One of the finest.....	.10
Cheerfulness. Brilliant orange scarlet.....	.25	Pure Love. Pure lilac; extra fine form; free....	.10
Darkest of All. Nearly black; fine form; free..	.10	Raphael. Very dark maroon; extra fine form..	.15
Darkness. Very dark maroon; extra fine; free..	.10	Rosalie. Yellow, tipped pinkish red; very free	.10
Fairy Queen. Sulphur, edged pink; exceedingly free.....	.10	Snow Clad. White, small, free and very fine..	.10
Fascination. Pink and lavender, sometimes blotched white.....	.10	Sunbeam. Crimson scarlet, extra fine form. One of the best.....	.10
Gruss an Wein. Crushed strawberry; fine form.....	.15	Vivid. Bright scarlet; extra fine; free.....	.10
		Winfred. White, daintily tipped deep lavender; small.....	.10

CENTURY DAHLIAS

	Each		Each
20th Century. The original Century. Early in the season, intense rosy crimson, shading to white at tips and base of petals; but as the season advances the flowers open lighter until by October they are nearly white, a bright pink blotch in the center of the petals. Height 4 feet	\$0.15	Golden Century. The sensational golden yellow cut flower variety, owing to its rich shades, immense size, long, slender, wiry stems and good keeping qualities. Color golden yellow shaded amber, showing up gorgeously under artificial light. The best of all yellows, as a plant or cut flower. Height 4 feet.....	\$0.20
Fringed 20th Century. The first of a new race, with cleft or serrated petals. A great improvement of 20th Century, much larger, brighter color, while the stems are long, slender and stiff. Color bright rosy crimson, with lighter markings. Height 4 feet.....	.20	Rose Pink Century. The best Pink Century single; perfect flowers of an immense size; clear rose pink; holds its color in hottest weather; very vigorous grower; long, erect stems. Most valuable for cutting or the garden.....	.25
Gladys Century. The most distinct and beautiful of this wonderful class. Center of petals rosy crimson, with rose-pink band on either side and white zone around the yellow center. Height 3 feet.....	.15	Wildfire Century. Century size with the brilliant, rich scarlet of the old Wildfire. Acknowledged the best commercial scarlet. Height 3 feet.....	.20
Gigantea Alba Century. Snow white, of immense size, beautiful form; produced in endless profusion on long, graceful stems. Height 5 feet.....	.20		

COLLARETTE DAHLIAS



Collarette Dahlia, Maurice Rivorior

Maurice Rivorior. A wonderful new Collarette Dahlia of sterling quality. The flowers are produced in great profusion on long, graceful stems, well above the foliage. The flower, a gorgeous, rich crimson, with pure white collar of short, well-formed petals, perfectly arranged around the rich golden-yellow center. The remarkable contrast of the above combination of color, together with its ideal form and profusion of flowers, secures first place for this variety among this new type of Dahlia.....	Each \$0.25
Souvenir de Chabanne. First class new French Collarette Dahlia. A variety of great merit; especially distinguished for its charming coloring; petals lemon yellow, with coral-red markings; collar petals very abundant and long, lemon yellow, tipped white.....	.25
Pres. Viger. Superb Collarette Dahlia. An exceedingly effective variety, the color combination being one of the prettiest imaginable, reddish carmine with a smaller collar of pure white.....	.20
Set of above three for 50c.	

SINGLE DAHLIA

Sensation. Red petals tipped white; very striking. Strong grower and free bloomer	.25
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HIGH CLASS DAHLIAS FOR HIGH CLASS GARDENS

We have a limited supply to offer of both the new and standard varieties of the Holland-grown, Peony-flowered Dahlias.

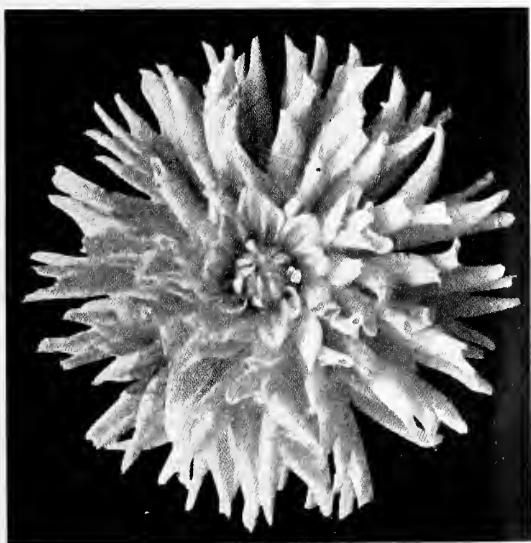
We offer these wonderful new types in root form, as these are much more satisfactory for the amateur than plants because of the convenience in handling, etc., and there is no risk of tubers dying, as is the case with plants. We do not believe that you can procure any of these **new** Peony Dahlias elsewhere in this country in root form.

Be among the first to secure these exceptionally fine new Dahlias in root form, by ordering at once, as the stock is limited.

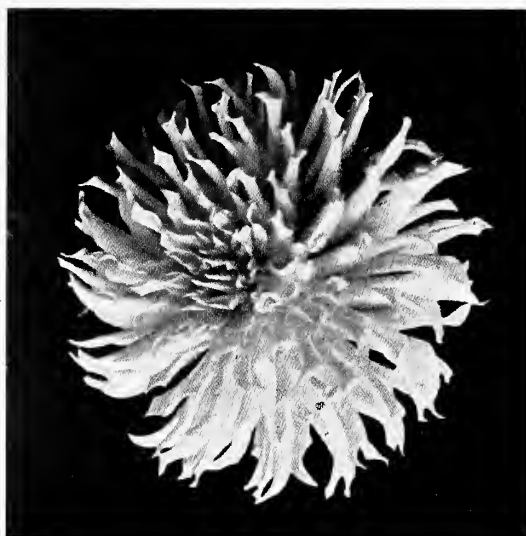
These wonderful free-blooming and beautiful new Peony-flowered Dahlias are the most meritorious ever introduced into this country. This is particularly true of the varieties Simplicity, Mrs. Warnaar, Bianca, Mrs. J. C. Vaughan, and the new type of twisted petaled, Decorative-Peony Dahlias, Attraction, Sterna, Diana and Yellow King. All these varieties were originated by the creator of the Peony Dahlia Geisha. Lack of space forbids lengthy descriptions that would do full justice to the merits of these splendid Dahlias. They created a great sensation at our trial gardens during all last season. We mention the awards as we have found them. They are a guarantee of the superior qualities of these Dahlias.

Furthermore, we wish to emphasize the fact that the Dutch and English judges know their business, because they undertake to give a much more careful judgment than our American judges. Awards are only given after close observation at the trial gardens for a season or more for such characteristics as growth, freedom of flowering, length of stems, attraction, size and color of flowers, etc., which test is much better than that given a flower placed on top of a vase, or with wired stems. Certificates of merit are sometimes given in this country for new Dahlias which have never been seen or observed by the judges previous to the exhibition.

The awards at Haarlem are given by the Dutch Bulb Growers' Society and at Amsterdam by the Netherland Society of Horticulture.



Peony-Cactus Dahlia, Bianca



Peony-Cactus Dahlia, Mrs. Warnaar

Novelty Peony-flowered Cactus Varieties

These produce the most exquisite and beautiful Peony flowers with Cactus petals, having the grace of the Cactus and the good qualities of the Peony. They grow about four feet high and are exceptionally free-flowered, with long stems and large, beautiful and very attractive flowers—without a doubt the finest type of Peony-flowered Dahlias.

Simplicity. (New.) Elegant flowers of the true Peony-Cactus type, with fine, soft lilac-rose color; long, stiff stalks of the Peony type. An exceptionally fine variety. Award of merit at Haarlem..... \$3.50

Mrs. J. C. Vaughan. (New.) Lovely, bright, clear yellow flowers; long stalks. This variety won the silver cup at the Royal Horticultural Society trials in England as the most meritorious Dahlia of one hundred and ten varieties of the Peony-flowered section there represented. First class certificate, Haarlem; first class certificate, Amsterdam..... 3.00

Mrs. Warnaar. (New.) Giant flowers, creamy white, with apple-blossom pink; long, stiff stems. An exhibition and garden Peony-Cactus of superior quality. We consider this an unusually fine novelty. Award of merit, Haarlem; award of merit, Amsterdam..... 3.00

Bianca. (New.) Large, Peony-Cactus type; flowers of a lovely pink-lavender color; very free flowering; long, stiff stems. Award of merit, Amsterdam..... 3.00

Set of roots of above four, \$10.00.

Novelty Peony-Decorative Dahlias

This new type of Peony-Decoratives have twisted and curled petals of the most exquisite and beautiful forms and are entirely distinct from the large, flat-petaled type. An exceptionally graceful type of large, artistic flowers, borne on long stems. Very free flowering. Will attract the greatest attention at exhibitions and in the garden.

NOVELTY PEONY-DECORATIVE DAHLIAS—Continued

- Attraction.** (New.) Large, elegant flowers of a clear lilac-rose color; long, strong stems. Will be an attraction at every Dahlia show in the world. It is an exhibition and garden Dahlia of rare merit. First class certificate, Haarlem; first class certificate, Amsterdam... Roots. Each \$5.00
- Sterna.** (New.) Very large flowers; correct shape; pale sulphur color; long stems. Award of merit, Haarlem; award of merit, Amsterdam. 3.00
- Yellow King.** (New.) The finest Peony-Decorative Dahlia ever shown, reported the jury last year. Clear yellow, large, elegant flowers; long, stiff stems. First class certificate, Haarlem; first class certificate, Amsterdam... 4.00
- Diana.** (New.) Large, attractive flowers of very fine form, of a crimson and violet reflected color, borne on long stems. Greatly admired by everyone. Award of merit, Haarlem; award of merit, Amsterdam... 3.00

Set of roots of above four, \$12.00.

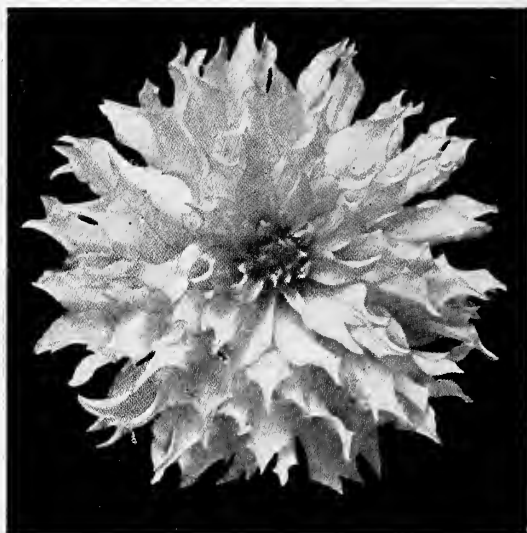
Peony-Decorative Dahlias

The flowers of this type have large, flat petals of fine reflexed form. Large flowers on long, stiff stems; very free bloomers, and exceptionally good keeping cut flowers. Good growers and will do well under the most varied conditions. A splendid type for garden decoration.

- Berch van Heemstede.** (New.) Pure yellow, with rich, golden sheen. Flowers of extra fine form; very free flowering. First class certificate... Roots. Each \$1.00
- Great Britain.** (New.) Extra large flowers of a beautiful, deep mauve color, on long, stiff stems. A most attractive Dahlia. First class certificate... 2.00
- Hortulanus Fiet.** (New.) Extra large flower of a beautiful shrimp-pink color, with salmon and gold suffusion; fine, long stems and a wonderfully easy grower. First class certificate; a prize winner at the American Dahlia Society show... 1.00



Peony-Decorative Dahlia, Yellow King



Peony-Decorative Dahlia, Sterna

- Hortulanus Witte.** Large, pure white; long stems and free bloomers. First class certificate... Roots. Each \$0.40
- Leo XIII.** (New.) Elegant, large flowers, deep yellow color; extra fine form; free flowering; very attractive. First class certificate... 1.00
- Mrs. Fleers.** Large; rosy red; exceedingly attractive. Fine for garden or cutting. First class certificate... .75
- Princess Juliana.** Pure white; long stems; free flowering. The best white for cutting. First class certificate... .30
- Glory of Nikerk.** (New.) Extra large flowers of a beautiful cerise shade of purple violet; a wonder; attractive, deep spreading flower; fine stems and beautiful cut foliage. One of the finest of recent introductions. First class certificate... 2.00
- Mont Blanc Holland.** (New.) A monstrous, pure white flower. The most attractive of this type. An exhibition and garden Dahlia of unusual merit. Stock very scarce... 3.00
- Zeppelin.** (New.) Beautiful, soft shade, with silvery suffusion; fine form; long stems and free flowering... .50

Set of roots of the above ten, \$10.00.

New Holland Peony-flowering Dahlias

These beautiful and artistic flowering Peony Dahlias are now very popular and the demand is so great that only a few varieties of the older sorts are offered in root form generally.

The varieties offered below are a select list of the best of the new and standard sorts. They are free yielders of large, artistic flowers on long stems, and are extra good for either cutting or for the garden.

- Avalanche.** Pure white. The best white in this class. Award of merit... Roots. Each \$1.00
- Cecelia.** Creamy white. First class certificate... 1.00
- Chatenay.** Color similar to the well-known Chatenay Rose; blooms held erect on good, stiff stalks. First class certificate, Amsterdam... 1.00
- Duchess of Brunswick.** Red, the outside of the florets being apricot. First class certificate... 2.00

NEW HOLLAND PEONY-FLOWERING DAHIAS—

Continued

	Roots.
Electra. Bluish mauve; grows very erect above the foliage; free flowering. First class certificate.....	Each \$1.00
Fraulein Budde. Soft pink; free flowering. Award of merit.....	2.00
Garibaldi. Scarlet orange shaded; free flowering, and extra for the garden. Award of merit, Haarlem; award of merit, Amsterdam.....	3.00
Loveliness. Pale lilac, white shaded. Award of merit.....	2.00
Sherlock Holmes. Mauve; splendid form....	1.00

Set of roots of above nine for \$12.00.

Select list of the best of the standard Holland Peony-flowering Dahlias in root form: Each

American. Apricot orange. First class certificate.....	\$0.50
Bertha von Suttner. Blush rose, with salmon tint. Award of merit.....	.50
Cæsar. Canary yellow. First class certificate..	.40
Dr. Peary. Dark mahogany, velvety shaded. Award of merit.....	.40
Geisha. Scarlet and gold. The most sensational Dahlia of all. First class certificate....	.50
Germania. Bright, glowing crimson scarlet..	.30
Glory of Baarn. (1906.) Soft pink. First class certificate.....	.30
H. J. Lovink. Mauve shaded. First class certificate.....	.30
Hortulanus Budde. Bright orange red. Award of merit.....	.30
King Edward. Deep purple; unique shade....	.50
Paul Kruger. Rosy, white striped.....	.30
Painted Lady. Pale rose. Award of merit....	.50
Queen Emma. Rosy pink, suffused yellow....	.30
Queen Wilhelmina. Pure white.....	.30
Sneeuwwitje. Pure white.....	.40

Set of the above 15 choice varieties for \$5.00.

We advise that you send your order at once for any and all the Peony Dahlias, because the great demand for this type has always been in excess of the supply of



Peony-flowered Dahlia, Geisha

roots. This season, when so many people are ordering early, prompt action is advisable on these offers.

Don't fail to include our famous Golden Gate Dahlia in your order. This ideal Suffrage Dahlia was used in preference to yellow Chrysanthemums last Autumn by the Oyster Bay Suffragists for decorations. Roots, 50c. each.

All orders will be filled and shipped **prepaid** in rotation during April.

We often receive inquiries from our customers for a magazine that will give them authoritative information on gardening. We always recommend *The Garden Magazine*, which is published monthly. The subscription price is \$1.50 per year.

If you send us \$1.75 we will include one bulb of the Golden Gate with the subscription.

At the American Dahlia Society's first exhibition, held in New York City, we entered in seven classes, winning three first prizes, three second and one special, in open competition with the largest commercial growers of the country.

At the exhibition of the Horticultural Society of New York, held August 21 and 22, 1915, at the New York Botanical Gardens, we were awarded a special prize for collection of named Dahlias by the New York Botanical Gardens, and a Certificate of Merit for collection of seedling Dahlias by the Horticultural Society of New York.

Join the American Dahlia Society, and keep pace with the increasing Dahlia interests of the country!

Every Membership helps to give it **Strength** and **Utility**!

It costs only \$1.00 to join, and annual dues of \$2.00, paid in advance.

The purpose of this society is to stimulate interest in, and promote the culture and development of the Dahlia; to test out new varieties, and give them such recognition as they deserve; to study the diseases of the Dahlia and find remedies for same; to secure uniformity in awarding prizes at flower shows, and to give exhibitions when deemed advisable.

The Society publishes information bulletins for the use of its members.

Join this Society now by sending **your fee, \$3.00**, to the Secretary, Mr. J. Harrison Dick, 1426 73rd Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

THE LONG ISLAND DAHLIA GARDENS

[From *The Florists' Exchange*, issue of November 6, 1915]

On Oct. 23 we paid a visit to the grounds of W. A. Finger, Jr., proprietor of the Long Island Dahlia Gardens, Hicksville, L. I. A sharp frost sometime previously had put a check to the flowering for the year, so far as most of the marketable blooms were concerned, yet it was possible to conjure up the brilliant show that the 12 acres of Dahlias had made. A very large section was planted to Golden Gate, Mr. Finger's great variety, of which there are 12,000 plants. This has been so well advertised by him, and so frequently alluded to in *The Florists' Exchange*, that it is unnecessary to say more now than that it is a resplendent golden-russet Cactus Dahlia of large size. It is a free grower, very healthy, and blooms abundantly, the flowers being well held up. The weight of the bloom causes it to droop a little, but as this is no objection when the flowers are arranged in a vase, it is likely that roots of Golden Gate will be in enormous demand during the coming Winter and Spring.

The proprietor of the Long Island Dahlia Gardens confines himself to a select list of good commercial kinds, among which the blooms of the show type, and of the decorative type or hybrid cactus forms, are conspicuous. We noticed large quantities of Kriemhilde, Minnie McCullough, White Swan, Perle de Lyon, Sylvia, Ethel Maule, Delice, Jack Rose, the newer Dorothy Peacock, Lyndhurst, A. D. Livoni, Mme. Henry Cayeux, Arabella, Indian Chief, Wildfire, Countess of Lonsdale, W. W. Rawson, and indeed his selection resembles very closely the choice of the best kinds as made manifest in our Dahlia election of last week.

Mr. Finger is the third generation of a family of Dahlia growers, his grandfather having been a well-known raiser and cultivator of these flowers, while his own father still grows 12 acres of them in a neighboring property to his son's.



Pansy

The Junior, as the son is called, has taken a tract of 20 acres of land bordering on the main road from Hicksville to Woodbury, with a lease of ten years, in which he hopes to come more into the public eye, and in that way secure advertisement and greater business. He has also the intention of opening a retail store in Hicksville, which is some $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles westward of his present location. At present he sends nearly all his flowers to Henshaw & Fenrich, W. 28th St., New York City.

Mr. Finger, Jr., publishes a neat retail catalogue, as well as a wholesale trade list, and while confining himself most largely to good standard kinds, he tries out a large number of seedling novelties each year. It was from seed got from the Burbank Co. at San Francisco that he secured his Golden Gate. He also tries out many varieties annually for Mr. Buys of Paterson, N. J., a Dahlia enthusiast and specialist. In the frames near to the propagating houses were seen some of the newest Decorative and Peony varieties from Europe, among them being the primrose Decorative Mrs. J. C. Vaughan, which has proved to be a cup winner in the English trials. Indeed, it would be difficult to say just what variety is not under test here.

In the sale of flowers, the Junior has found the suffragists splendid customers all this Summer, he having had many orders for panels and other decorative devices from the ladies of Oyster Bay and elsewhere, and found returns at \$5 per hundred blooms.

In talking of cultivation matters, he stated that he finds soaking the tubers, especially those that may have come from diseased plants, in formaldehyde for four hours, puts an end to all trouble in the coming season. The treatment is the same as for scab in Potatoes.

In addition to his Dahlia business, the Junior has quite a brisk trade in Pansy seed and seedlings, he being the Eastern agent for the Steele Pansy Gardens of Seattle, Wash. The writer saw coldframes filled with thousands of admirable, sturdy Pansy seedlings.

Owing to continued increase of his wholesale and retail business, Wm. A. Finger, Jr., has found it necessary to take into partnership his brother, Frank Finger, who also has had a lifelong experience among Dahlias, etc. The business is now conducted under the firm name of Finger Brothers.

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Our strain contains some of the new Madame Steele Pansy, the only self-colored Pansy of this century; a genuine Royal Elks purple of fine form and enormous size. Of all varieties that we have ever seen none can compare, in beauty and richness of color, with this Pansy. We include this fine Pansy in all dozen lots sent out.

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